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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MOPS BC

SUBJ: RHODESIA-BOTSWANA BORDER CLASH

REF: GABORONE 1975

JUNE 27 RADIO BOTSWANA NEWSCAST ANNOUNCED THAT BORDER CLASH (SEE REFTEL) HAS ENDED WITH NO CASUALTIES AND, AFTER INVESTIGATION, GOB REJECTS RHODESIAN ALLEGATION THAT ONE HUNDRED ZIPRA FREEDOM FIGHTERS TOOK PART IN FIGHT FROM BOTSWANA TERRITORY. ACCORDING TO REPORT, INVESTIGATION SHOWED THERE WERE NO FREEDOM FIGHTERS IN THE AREA AND THAT CLASH WAS SOLELY BETWEEN THE BDF AND THE RHODESIAN SECURITY FORCES WHO INITIATED IT. AT SAME TIME, GOB ACCUSES RHODESIAN SECURITY FORCES OF FIRING ON BDF TROOPS AND AIRCRAFT AND OF USING FIGHTER PLANES AGAINST BDF POSITIONS.

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